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a community newsletter for the residents of Chandler

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Public Meeting Information

City offices will be closed November 11 for Veterans Day and November 27 and 28 for the Thanksgiving holiday. Garbage and recycling collection will not take place on Thursday, November 28.

The estimated population for the City of Chandler as of September 1, 2003, is 214,604.

Preparing For The New Santan Freeway First Phase To Open Before Year End

Chandler's last freeway, the Santan (Loop 202), has become a reality. The Arizona Department of Transportation and the City of Chandler expect portions of the freeway to open to traffic by December. The first section to be open will be the stretch between Interstate 10 (I-10) and the Price Freeway (Loop 101). This section includes new freeway-to-freeway interchanges at I-10 and Loop 101.

The next phase of construction, a 2.4-mile extension of the freeway from Dobson Road to Arizona Avenue, began in early August. If construction progresses as scheduled, this section of freeway should be completed by the end of 2004. To reduce the freeway's noise impacts, the Santan Freeway will include a rubberized asphalt surface. The effort was spearheaded by Chandler Mayor Boyd Dunn with the valuable support of other Valley cities. In December 2002, a decision was made to place the smoother, quieter substance on 115 miles of urban freeways.

Watch for information about the "Celebration On The Santan" coming this November. The event will be similar to the Picnic on Price celebration organized for the opening of the Price Freeway. Residents will be invited to walk, bike, skate -- you name it - right on the freeway they'll be cruising on in the near future. Information about the event

as on the City's Web site at
www.ChandlerAZ.gov.
Chandler is working diligently to complete

will be posted in various news sources, as well

Chandler is working diligently to complete several north-south arterial street improvements in advance of the Santan Freeway opening. Kyrene Road and McClintock Drive are being widened south of Chandler Boulevard in preparation for the freeway. Dobson Road will be widened to six lanes between Frye and Germann roads by the end of next summer.

The opening of the Santan Freeway offers many new opportunities to the City and residents: quicker access to cross-town destinations, additional retail shopping choices, job opportunities as more industry moves closer to the freeway, future alternative transportation options, and more. One area in particular is expected to see a major influx in job growth due to the freeway's proximity; Chandler's municipal airport. Commercial and industrial development around the airport is expected to generate as many as 20,000 new jobs over the next 10 to 15 years.

24-Hour HotlineTo Report Street Light Outages

Ever wonder what to do when you see a street light that isn't working? The City recently announced a 24-hour street light outage hotline for residents and visitors to call to report outages. The phone number, 480-782-3460, can be called day or night. By providing as much information as possible: the zip code, address, exact location or the pole number imprinted on the light pole, response times are much faster. You'll also be asked to leave a call back phone number to help employees locate the pole you're calling about.

Calendar Of Events

480-782-2735 ••• www.ChandlerAZ.gov

October

- 16-30 *Weekly on Thursdays*, Lunch Time Concerts, Dr. A.J. Chandler Park
- 17-11/1 Dia de los Muertos Celebration, Vision Gallery, 480-917-6859
- 18 Saturday Art & Music In The Park, Historic Downtown Chandler, 480-782-3045
- 18 G.A.I.N. Night Out
- 21, 28, 11/4 Low Water Use Landscape Class, Senior Center, 480-782-3580
- 24, 25 Come Before the Winter, Timothy of Lystra Original Musical, Center for the Arts, 480-782-2680
- 24- 11/1 Dia de los Muertos, Vision Gallery, 480-917-6859
- 24-26 Kokopelli Krush Wine Festival, Historic Downtown Chandler, 480-782-3047
- 25 Family Halloween Festivities, Downtown Library Plaza
- 25 Backyard Composting Workshop, 480-782-3510

November

- 1 Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event, 480-782-3510
- Body Building Competition, Center for the Arts, 480-782-2680
- 3 Actual Lives -- Candid Snapshots, Center for the Arts, 480-782-2680
- 4 Fall Starlight Concert, Arrowhead Meadows Park
- 6 Lunch Time Concert, Dr. A.J. Chandler Park
- 6, 20 City Council meeting, Council Chambers, 480-782-2180
- 7 The Four Tops, Center for the Arts, 480-782-2680
- 8 Kidz Art, Ornament Painting, Vision Gallery, 480-917-6859
- 8 San Marcos Symphony, Center for the Arts, 480-782-2680
- False Alarm Awareness Class, Police Department Community Room, 480-782-4201
- Dart the Turkey, Senior Center & Snedigar Recreation Center
- 15 Saturday Art & Music In The Park, Historic Downtown Chandler, 480-782-3045
- Mesa Symphony, Center for the Arts, 480-782-2680
- 20 Backyard Composting Workshop, 480-782-3510
- 24-30 Holiday Masterpiece Exhibit, Vision Gallery, 480-917-6859
- 27, 28 Thanksgiving Holiday, City offices closed
- 28-30 The Nutcracker, Center for the Arts 480-782-2680

Chandler Center For The Arts A Tucked-Away Treasure

An evening of live music, performances by legendary entertainers, family events, hilarious comedy...all right here in Chandler, Arizona. One of the Valley's most prominent and successful performing arts venues is a hidden treasure tucked inside Chandler's borders.

The Chandler Center for the Arts opened in 1989 in a joint effort between the City of Chandler and the Chandler Unified School District. This partnership is just as solid today as the day the doors opened, enabling the Center to provide quality programming at an affordable cost.

The theatre boasts 1,500 seats guaranteeing an intimate experience for every show and offers a variety of entertainment options. From traditional performances of the Nutcracker and Cinderella, to national touring attractions such as The Four Tops, Arturo Sandoval, The von Trap Children, Toni Tennille and Louis Anderson – there is something for everyone at the Center for the Arts.

Check the monthly Calendar of Events listing in the *CityScope* for upcoming shows or go online to www.chandlercenter.org to view the 2003-04 schedule and enter for a chance to win tickets to an upcoming show. Call the Center Box Office at 480-782-2680 to reserve your seat today.

Go to www.chandlercenter.org for a chance to win free tickets!

Actual Lives -- Candid Snapshots October Is Disabilities Employment Awareness Mont

The Mayor's Committee for People With Disabilities is proud to present a unique performance at the Chandler Center for the Arts. **Actual Lives -- Candid Snapshots** is a collaboration of material from true life experiences that was conceived by and created for people with disabilities. It provides performers the opportunity to celebrate self-expression, empowerment and education through artistic works.

The performance begins at 7 p.m., Monday, November 3 at the Center for the Arts (250 N. Arizona Ave.). Tickets are available at the door, or call 480-782-2709 for more information.

Backyard Composting Workshops Available To Chandler Residents

Chandler is offering free workshops with hands-on demonstrations to help residents learn techniques for backyard composting.

The workshops will be held for City of Chandler residents on Saturday, October 25, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and Thursday, November 20 -- 6 to 9 p.m.

For location and pre-registration, please call Solid Waste Services at 480-782-3510. Seating is limited.

New Smoking Ordinance Takes Effect What Changes Can Be Expected?



On May 8, the Chandler City Council approved the final adoption of a new smoking ordinance in Chandler that took effect October 1, 2003. Essentially, the ordinance calls for a ban on smoking in restaurants and most other public places. The following Q & A was developed to answer some of the most common questions by residents. For the full wording of the ordinance, visit the City's Web site at www.ChandlerAZ.gov or call 480-782-2180.

Q. Has smoking been banned in all public places?

- A. No, there are several exceptions including some bars and restaurant bars, hotel rooms and outdoor patio areas.
- Q. What are the penalties for individuals not complying with the ordinance?
- A. Any person who smokes in an area required to be smoke-free shall be guilty of a civil offense and subject to a fine of \$50 for the first offense, \$100 for a second offense, \$200 for the third offense and \$400 for each offense thereafter within a 12-month period.

Q. What if a business does not comply?

- A. Any owner, manager, operator, tenant or other person in control of an establishment or area regulated under this Section who knowingly fails to post notices, remove ashtrays or report violators is in violation of this Section and is subject to a fine not to exceed \$500.
- Q. What should I do if I see that an individual or business is not following the rules?
- A. You can report these incidents by calling 480-782-4130.

Q. Why was the new ordinance created?

A. The smoking of tobacco can be a health danger to those exposed to the smoke and is a source of annoyance and discomfort to those present in confined areas where such smoke is present. For these reasons, the City Council adopted a new ordinance to regulate smoking in enclosed public places and in places of employment.

Q. Where can I go for more information?

A. The actual code is available on the City's Web site at www.ChandlerAZ.gov, click on City Hall. For additional questions, call 480-782-3004.

Chandler Visitor Center

The Visitor Center inside Chandler Fashion Center Mall is staffed entirely by volunteers. The Center provides resources for visitors, with information about City programming and services. The search is on for more City ambassadors. No experience is required. For more information call 480-782-2231.

'What's Up?' Downtown

A new addition made its debut in Dr. A.J. Chandler Park last month. The Rosales Family Pioneering Artwork & Fountain was dedicated September 19. The fountain was placed in the park in honor of the Rosales family and many other Hispanic pioneer families who founded and settled the Chandler community.

Other development continues as two new businesses have announced they'll open their doors in Historic Downtown. The area features several unique dining opportunities as well as retail shopping.

Other recent development news in Chandler's Historic Downtown, was the agreement reached by Jack in the Box and the City of Chandler. The long-time downtown restaurant will build on a new site at the northeast corner of Buffalo Street and Arizona Avenue and will be designed to blend with the architectural feel of a mixed-use development planned for the area.

The Saturday Music & Art in the Park series kicks-off October 18, after taking a summer break. New hours for the event are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the third Saturday of every month.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS...CONTINUED FROM PAGE TWO

December

1-25 Vision Gallery's Holiday Masterpiece Exhibit, 480-917-6859

5-7 The Nutcracker, Center for the Arts, 480-782-2680

6 Holiday Masterpiece Open House Saturday, Vision Gallery, 480-917-6859

6 Tumbleweed Tree Lighting Ceremony & Parade of Lights, Dr. A.J. Chandler Park

6, 11, 13, 20 Santa's House, Dr. A.J. Chandler Park

13 Lunch with Santa Coloring Contest, San Marcos Hotel

13, 14, 20 The Spirit of Christmas, Center for the Arts, 480-782-2680

15, 18 City Council meeting, Council Chambers, 480-782-2180

15-18 Santa's Calling

20 Saturday Art & Music In The Park, Historic Downtown Chandler, 480-782-3045

21 Salt River Brass, Center for the Arts, 480-782-2680

25 Christmas holiday, City offices closed

31 Mesa Symphony, Center for the Arts, 480-782-2680

Meeting Minutes

The Chandler City Council took the following actions during recent meetings:

- Introduced an ordinance that amends the City Code to update Chandler's System Development Fee System.
- Approved a matching grant through the Downtown Improvement Fund for tenant improvements for the La Stalla Cucina Rustica Italian restaurant.
- Approved a design-build contract in the amount of \$3.07 million for the construction of West Chandler Park and an associated water line project.
- Approved the purchase of a fire arms training simulator in the amount of \$81,004.

Proclamations:

September -- Chandler Education Foundation Month September 11 -- Southwest Ambulance Partnership Day September 19 -- Native American Recognition Day September 13 - October 13 -- Hispanic Heritage Month October -- Fire Prevention Month

Sound Off ... Your Opinion Counts! Your City officials want public input on how to build a better community. Let's hear from you. Just fill out this form and return it with your water billing or mail it to: Communications & Public Affairs Department, Mail Stop 604, P.O. Box 4008, Chandler, AZ 85244-4008. Or go online and e-mail your comments to: citizen-assistance@ChandlerAZ.gov Comments (please print) Optional (please print): Name: Address: Zip ______Phone: ______



Chandler City Council — Front row from left: Dean Anderson, Mayor Boyd W. Dunn, Bob Caccamo. Back row from left: Phillip Westbrooks, Donna Wallace, Patti Bruno, Vice Mayor Lowell Huggins. The Mayor & Council can be contacted at (480) 782-2200.

Public Meetings

City Council
(480) 782-2180
Usually held the
2nd and 4th Thursday
at 7 p.m. in the
Council Chambers.

Planning and Zoning Commission

(480) 782-3000 Usually held the 1st and 3rd Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers

City Council meetings and study sessions, and Planning and Zoning meetings are televised live on Cable Channel 11 then replayed the following day at 8:30 a.m.

Study sessions are also replayed the following Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

There are additional replays of Council and P&Z meetings at the following times:

Saturday at 9 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. Sunday at 10 a.m. & 5 p.m. Monday at 1 a.m. & 2 p.m.

Public meetings are posted on the City's Web site:

www.ChandlerAZ.gov

Airport Commission (480) 782-3540

Arts Commission (480) 917-6859

Committee for the Aging (480) 782-2750

Committee for People with Disabilities (480) 782-2709

Cultural Foundation (480) 782-2676

Human Relations Commission (480) 782-2217

Housing & Redevelopment Committee (480) 782-3207

Industrial Development Authority

(480) 782-2315 **Library Board**

(480) 782-2800

Museum Advisory Board (480) 782-2752

Neighborhood Advisory Committee (480) 782-2218

Parks & Recreation Board (480) 782-2660

Transportation Commission (480) 782-3440

Youth Commission (480) 782-2712

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